

In the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head, comprising a housing having a suction inlet, an agitator for agitating a floor surface which is rotatably mounted in the housing, ~~[[an]]~~ a first air turbine ~~[[for]]~~ driving the agitator, a turbine air inlet, separate from the suction inlet, ~~[[for]]~~ admitting air to the first turbine, and a control ~~[[for]]~~ preventing rotation ~~of,~~ or reducing the speed of rotation of~~[[,]]~~ the agitator, ~~wherein~~ the control ~~[[is]]~~ being configured to be responsive to the speed of rotation of the first turbine[[,]] or to a flow of air to or through the first turbine.

2. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 1, wherein the control is movable between an open position, in which it admits air to the turbine, and a closed position in which it prevents air from reaching the first turbine.

3. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 2, wherein the control is normally biased ~~[[into]]~~ to the open position.

4. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 2 or 3, wherein the control is also movable into the ~~inoperable~~ closed position by a user.

5. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to any one of claims 2 to 4, wherein the control comprises a movable part having an interior volume which communicates with the main airflow path to the first turbine, the movable part being responsive to a pressure difference between the interior volume and ambient air.

6. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 5, wherein the interior volume of the movable part communicates with the main airflow path to the first turbine via a restricted airflow path.

7. (Original) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 6, wherein the restricted airflow path comprises an apertured plate.

8. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to ~~any one of claims claim~~ 5 ~~to~~ 7, further comprising ~~means for~~ a device drawing air from the interior volume of the movable part.

9. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 8, wherein the drawing ~~[[means]]~~ device comprises a second turbine.

10. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 9, wherein the second turbine forms part of the rear face of the first turbine.

11. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 10, wherein the second turbine comprises depressions and ribs on the rear face of the first turbine.

12. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 8, wherein the drawing ~~[[means]]~~ device comprises a venturi in the airflow path upstream or downstream of the first turbine, the interior volume of the movable part communicating with the venturi.

13. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to ~~any one of claims claim~~ 5 ~~to~~ 12, further comprising a valve for admitting air into the interior of the movable part ~~whereby~~ so as to reopen the turbine air inlet.

14. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to any one of claims ~~2 to~~ ~~13~~ 1 to 3, further comprising a seal ~~[[for]]~~ sealing the turbine air inlet in the closed position.

15. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to any one of claims ~~2 to~~ ~~14~~ 1 to 3, further comprising a valve ~~[[for]]~~ admitting air to the cleaning head ~~whereby~~ to reopen the turbine air inlet.

16. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 15, wherein the valve ~~admits~~ is configured to admit air to a region downstream of the first turbine.

17. (Original) A vacuum cleaning head according to claim 16, wherein the valve is positioned on the opposite side of the housing to the control.

18. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaning head according to any one of the preceding claims 1 to 3, ~~wherein there are~~ further comprising a plurality of restricting devices arranged across the discharge outlet.

19. (Currently Amended) A vacuum cleaner ~~incorporating~~ comprising a vacuum cleaning head according to any one of the preceding claims 1 to 3.

20. (Canceled)